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Press Release

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Classification:	Rescue Operation	Incident Date:	March, 13, 2010
Author / Date / Time:	Lt. Erickson/03-13-10/1500	Incident Time:	10:28 AM

Incident Location:	Malibu Canyon Road near Piuma Road, Malibu
C/P Location:	None

Victim(s):	Female /19, Canyon Country	Suspect(s):	N/A
	Male /19, Saugus		

Narrative:

Two units of the Sheriff's Malibu Search and Rescue Team responded to a "vehicle over the side" call on Malibu Canyon Road, two miles south of Piuma Road in Malibu. A black, 2008 Dodge Charger veered off the road and plunged approximately 150 feet down the canyon, landing upside down in the stream below. The Sheriff's Malibu Search and Rescue Team extracted both 19 year old victims. The rescue of the victims took 50 minutes, while retrieval of the car took an additional two hours. Traffic in both directions was closed to the public for nearly 3 hours.

The Female victim was airlifted to U.C.L.A. trauma center (with serious injuries), while the Male victim was transported to the UCLA trauma center by ambulance (with moderate injuries). Numerous agencies were involved in this response including the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department-Malibu/Lost Hills Station, the Los Angeles County Fire Department, and California State Park Rangers. The traffic collision investigation will be handled by the California Highway Patrol.